

**STATEMENT OF PURPOSE****RS23502**

The purpose of this legislation is to remove an unfair carve-out giving special treatment to legislators with respect to accumulated service time for PERSI benefits.

Idaho statute governs the PERSI benefits that are eventually paid to a part-time, elected official who also has been elected or appointed to full-time government service. A split calculation considers both the part-time and full-time portions of service in determining the retirement benefit.

Past legislation created a special carve-out for legislators allowing them to consider all service years as full-time. This creates a substantial and inequitable spike in their eventual benefit payments. No other elected official can claim this advantage.

**FISCAL NOTE**

There will be no fiscal impact to the general fund from this legislation.

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